

Mass Readings and Prayers for the Feast of St. Vincent de Paul, September 27

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Cf. Lk 4: 18

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, for he has anointed me and sent me to preach the good news to the poor, to heal the broken-hearted.

COLLECT

O God, who for the relief of the poor and the formation of the clergy endowed the Priest Saint Vincent de Paul with apostolic virtues, grant, we pray, that, afire with that same spirit, we may love what he loved and put into practice what he taught. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

FIRST READING 1 Cor 1:26-31

Consider your own calling, brothers and sisters.

Not many of you were wise by human standards,
not many were powerful,
not many were of noble birth.

Rather, God chose the foolish of the world to shame the wise,
and God chose the weak of the world to shame the strong,
and God chose the lowly and despised of the world,
those who count for nothing,
to reduce to nothing those who are something,
so that no human being might boast before God.

It is due to him that you are in Christ Jesus,
who became for us wisdom from God,
as well as righteousness, sanctification, and redemption,
so that, as it is written,
Whoever boasts, should boast in the Lord.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 112:1bc-2,3-4,5-7,7-8,9

R. (1) Blessed the man who fears the Lord. or: R. Alleluia.

Blessed the man who fears the LORD,
who greatly delights in his commands.
His posterity shall be mighty upon the earth;
the upright generation shall be blessed.

R. Blessed the man who fears the Lord. or: R. Alleluia.

Wealth and riches shall be in his house;
his generosity shall endure forever.
Light shines through the darkness for the upright;
he is gracious and merciful and just.

R. Blessed the man who fears the Lord. or: R. Alleluia.

Well for the man who is gracious and lends,
who conducts his affairs with justice;
He shall never be moved;
the just one shall be in everlasting remembrance.

R. Blessed the man who fears the Lord. or: R. Alleluia.

An evil report he shall not fear.
His heart is firm, trusting in the LORD.
His heart is steadfast;
he shall not fear till he looks down upon his foes.

R. Blessed the man who fears the Lord. or: R. Alleluia.

Lavishly he gives to the poor,
his generosity shall endure forever,
his horn shall be exalted in glory.

R. Blessed the man who fears the Lord. or: R. Alleluia.

ALLELUIA John 10:14

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me.

GOSPEL Matthew 9:35-38

Jesus went around to all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the Gospel of the Kingdom, and curing every disease and illness.

At the sight of the crowds, his heart was moved with pity for them because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd.

Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest."

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O God, who enabled Saint Vincent to imitate what he celebrated in the divine mysteries, grant that by the power of this sacrifice we, too, may be transformed into an oblation acceptable to you. Through Christ our Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Ps 107 (106): 8-9

Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men,
for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Renewed by this heavenly Sacrament, O Lord, we implore, that just as we are prompted by Saint Vincent's example to imitate your Son in his preaching of the Gospel to the poor, so, too, we may be sustained by his prayers. Through Christ our Lord.

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